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BIRTH.

On the 11th November, 1902, at 7, Granville Avenue, Kowloon, the wife of JOHN LEMM, of a daughter.

The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 2nd January, 1913.

It will be seen from our Canton correspondent's letter of the 29th ultimo that the anticipations of trouble in that city about the time of the Chinese New Year, which obtained considerable currency here, though they were not justified by the event, at least succeeded in creating no little panic in Canton itself. The seizure of what our correspondent describes as some few cases of arms and ammunition is not in itself a very notable fact. It is well known that the smuggling of arms into the Kwang provinces is a chronic occurrence; were the native officials more honest and more vigilant they would certainly stop the entry of far more arms. We constantly hear of the "rebels," alias bandits and pirates, being armed with the most modern weapons, and though some proportion of these no doubt come over the southern border, many must inevitably come from other sources. It is not, however, to be wondered at that the discovering of arms masquerading as "biscuits" should, on the top of the rumours prevalent in Canton and here, seriously alarm the nervous Cantonese officials and merchants. Canton is prone to panic, and we need not therefore marvel at the magnitude of the rumour, which our correspondent reports, of the intended assassination of the Chinese officials, followed by a massacre on the Shamoen. It is gratifying to note that the authorities at Canton took immediate steps to guard the approach to the foreign settlement, for it shows that they are awake to their responsibilities—if they really suspect any cause for alarm. Were the Shamoen to be seriously threatened, of course, a few hundred braves along the Canal Road

would be of little use; but fortunately the European residents do not rely on such aid. No hint of any actual trouble reaches us up to the time of writing, and we trust that our neighbours passed through the New Year festivities in the usual state of quiet and rejoicing. Canton is a panic centre, but the evidence of those who have traversed the country between that city and our own borders on the mainland during the past few days is that all is perfectly peaceful. It is possible that the Chinese authorities are only making use of easily raised fears to gain some private end, and in this connection we would point to what we wrote on Saturday with regard to the men arrested here last week.

We have received the latest number of the *Indian Seaman*, which as usual has a big budget of Scottish news besides a good story.

On Friday, the British battleship *Atsuta* came in from Mira Day, on Saturday the German gunboat *Tiger* left for Canton, and yesterday H.M. cruiser *Amphitrite* arrived from Yokohama.

In April last M. de Lamoignon reorganised the French naval forces in Far Eastern waters. A decree recently published in the *Journal Officiel* gives the motive for these changes. This appears to be that in distant seas in case of war isolated vessels would not meet with, and that therefore a considerable force would be able to show a proper front.

The shika strike at Singapore is over, the coolies having given way. One incident of note marked the close. Sergeant Freyan was riding in a riksha to see if all was quiet when a number of coolies rushed up to his riksha shouting *Pah* etc., translated literally meaning "strikes dead." Sergeant Freyan at once got out of his riksha and collared one of the men, who was apparently the ringleader, and the rest being cowed by his ready action slunk away in haste.

The summary of deaths in the Colony during December shows a total of 692, 31 in the European and foreign community (26 civilians, 5 Army) and 571 in the Chinese community. Chest affections accounted for 136 deaths and malarial fever for 75. The death-rates in the principal registration districts were:—British and foreign community, 81.7 per 1,000 per annum; Chinese, Victoria, land 33, harbour 16; Chinese, whole Colony, land 24.2, boat 18.2, land and boat, 23.3; whole civil community, 23.6.

Writing on the 23rd ult., the *Kashing* correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News* said:—While not yet an "open port" in name, our city may be classed as one, practically. True, there can be no foreign concession, but the business connected with the proper management of the Customs has made it necessary to increase the staff until we have quite a foreign community. The Roman Catholic Mission has purchased a large tract of land outside the north gate, contiguous to the Customs, and are having it levelled preparatory to building. One of the wealthiest citizens of Kashing is building a two-story, foreign-style brick house inside the city. This is something new for the interior.

Europeans want to do everything for Asiatics in the sense of monopolising the doing; the Japanese wish to teach the Asiatics to do for themselves. In China it has been found that a Japanese army officer, or instructor along any line, will accomplish more with greater interest on the part of the student in a given time than any other foreigner. Japanese merchants (says the *American Review of Reviews*) principally on a small scale, are locating themselves in all parts of the interior of China where no European merchant has ever thought of going. In Manchuria, where Russia is supposed to have supreme control, the Japanese traders outnumber the Russians by fifty to five.

At the Regular Meeting of Eothen Mark Lodge, No. 284, held on Friday at the Freemasons' Hall, Wor. Bro. F. W. Edwards and a board of P.M. installed Wor. Bro. P. D. Goddard as W.M. for the ensuing year. The W.M. appointed and invested the following officers:—S. W., Bro. B. B. Barker; J. W., Bro. W. J. Titcher; M. O., Bro. W. H. Wickham; S. O., Bro. R. C. Edwards; J. O., Bro. H. Sykes; Chap., Bro. J. J. Bryan; Treas., Bro. W. H. Purcell; Reg. of Marks, Bro. W. A. Sims; Sec., Bro. G. Pierce; S. D., Bro. A. H. Skelton; J. D., Bro. W. J. G. Whitley; D. C., Bro. C. P. Chater; I. G., Bro. P. W. Goldring; St., Bro. G. E. Cole; and Tyler, Bro. J. Vanstone.

It is stated, says the *N.C. Daily News*, that the Minister of Foreign Affairs in Peking received lately a telegram from Governor Wang Chih-chun of Kwangsi, to the effect that he has been persistently applied to by the French Consul in his vicinity with reference to "a certain railway agreement made between a certain French syndicate and the Kwangsi provincial authorities," while, however, owing to his (Governor Wang) being away from Kwelin (the provincial capital) he had no means of searching the records of the gubernatorial yamen to verify the matter. Governor Wang then telegraphed to Canton asking the Viceroy there whether he knew anything of the affair. The Viceroy's reply was that the contract for constructing a railway in Kwangsi province had already long ago been transferred to a Belgian syndicate, and hence the French have nothing to do with the work in question. In view of this, therefore, Governor Wang requested the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to send him a copy of all documents referring to the whole matter, including those relating to the said transfer.

The French medal for China which is now about to be struck owes its design to M. Léon Lemaire. The artist on one side places a young and beautiful Phrygian cap, but in a casket crowded with oak. On the reverse side is a device composed of the national flag, an anchor and two cannon. In the distance is seen the buildings of the French Legation in Peking, and surrounding all is a crown, half laurel, half oak-leaved, and the inscription: "China, 1901-1902." The ribbon is of the same colour as that of the Tonkin medal, and the clasp is distinctly graceful, being composed of two small Chinese dragons united by a lotus leaf.

The *Russki Izvestia* publishes an order of the Minister of War dwelling upon the importance of having officers acquainted with the local languages among the troops stationed in the Amur territory, and announcing that arrangements have been made at the Oriental Institute in Vladivostok for the instruction of 40 officers in the Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Mongolian languages, as well as in French and English. The course of instruction will last four years, and 10 officers will be admitted every year in order to study the languages chosen for them by the general in command of the Amur military district. There will be no entrance examination. The officers selected for those courses will receive various privileges and allowances.

Japan's new naval programme is being exploited by the German Navy League as an excuse for a new agitation for the expansion of the Kaiser's fleet. "The financial position of the German Empire," says *Die Flotte*, "must not deter us any more than similar conditions deter the Japanese from presenting unceasingly what so vitally concerns the national interest. The latest figures indicate that Japan's naval strength in East Asiatic waters is 164,000 tons, Russia's 155,000, England's 124,000, France's 83,000, America's 78,000, and Germany's 22,000. The figures may well fill Germans with earnest apprehension when they recall the official assurance that our interests in the Orient are second only to England's. The Eastern question was not settled when the Powers adjusted their grievances in China."

In the *Journal of the Royal United Services Institution*, Lieut. A. G. Leach, R.F.A., has an article on "The Doctrine of Continuous Voyage," which last came into prominence on the seizure of the *Bundeswehr* and two other German steamers by the British during the South African War. Lieut. Leach quotes many examples bearing upon the attitude of the Powers upon the "continuous voyage" problem. Thus, in 1855, during the Franco-China war, the French Government declared its intention of seizing vessels bound for Hongkong if laden with any goods declared contraband. Among these goods was rice. The British Government protested vigorously, and upon the plea that the destination of the vessel was conclusive of the destination of the goods, and also that any neutral ship was entitled to trade to Hongkong, a neutral port. There is no harm in admitting now—and perhaps it should have been admitted by our Government in 1855, comments the *Naval and Military Record*—that Hongkong was, in many cases, not the ultimate destination of various cargoes.

POLLARD'S LILLIPUTIANS.

Having received news of the Lilliputians' safe arrival at Manila on Saturday by the *Changsha*, the advance agent informs us that the plans for the first four performances will open this morning at 9 a.m. at the Robinson Piano Company, and as there is certain to be a great rush for seats, all are advised to book without delay. The company will arrive in Hongkong to-morrow morning, the 3rd inst., and on the 4th will open with *The Belle of New York*, which will be repeated on Thursday and Friday; on Saturday *Paul Jones* will be produced, followed by *The Gaiety Girl*, *Pinafore*, *La Mascotte*, etc. There will be only two matinees. The plan for the first matinee will open on Wednesday morning. Lyce trams and ferries will run during the season. All other particulars will be found in our advertisement columns.

HONGKONG'S ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

The following statement of assets and liabilities on the 30th November, 1902, appears in the *Gazette* over the signature of the Hon. A. M. Thomson, Colonial Treasurer:—

ASSETS.	
Bank balances	\$ 27,339.95
Crown agents' balance	5,550.93
Advances, &c.	64,282.82
Subsidiary coins	606,000.00
Total	699,173.70
LIABILITIES.	
Deposits not available	\$493,845.62
Crown agents' draft	70,000.00
Money order commitments	28,927.42
Balance overdrawn, bank	Do.
Do. Crown agents	Do.
Balance	\$192,376.46
Total	699,173.70

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Darmstadt* left Shanghai on the 31st ult., at 1 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, at daylight. The E. & A. steamer *Empire* left Port Darwin on the 30th ult. for this port via Manila, and may be expected here on or about 9th inst. The Imperial German mail steamer *Stettin*, which left here on the 25th ult., arrived at Shanghai on Wednesday, the 28th ult., a.m. The C.P.R. steamer *Victor* arrived at Yokohama at 4 p.m. on the 30th ult., and left again at 11 a.m. on the 31st for Kobe, where she was due to arrive at 5 p.m. on the 1st inst.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

GENERAL NEWS.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

SHANGHAI, 1st February, 11.30 p.m.

"SNIPE'S" BOAT SUNK—FOUR MEN DROWNED.

The river gunboat *Snipe's* four-oared boat, with Dr. Rowan, was capsized in a blizzard at Kukiang. The four oarsmen were drowned, but Dr. Rowan was saved by swimming. The boat was lost.

REUTERS' SERVICE.

LONDON, 28th January.

THE FRANCO-SIAMESE TREATY.

The ratification of the Franco-Siamese treaty has been extended to 30th March.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Mr. Chamberlain, who is at Mafeking, met the Cape Governor and authorities, escorted by a party on horseback, on the Transvaal border.

THE SOMALILAND EXPEDITION.

Col. Cobbe, reconnoitring towards Galkayu, the Mullah's headquarters, has encamped at Emamas.

THE JIBUTTI-HARRAR RAILWAY.

Owing to Lent and an objection to travel in the rainy season, the Emperor Menelik has postponed his visit to Jibuti to the autumn.

SERIOUS RAILWAY ACCIDENT IN AMERICA.

An express train travelling at the rate of sixty miles an hour dashed into the rear of a local train at Graceland, New Jersey. The *debris* ignited. Twenty-four passengers were killed (of whom sixteen were burned alive) and fifty-two injured.

THE FORTHCOMING BUDGET.

Mr. Ritchie, speaking at the Crystal Palace, said that illusions of a large reduction of taxation in the forthcoming budget must be dispelled, as when the accounts for the South African war compensation were wound up our liabilities would be considerably more than estimated. Nevertheless he believed it would be possible to reduce some taxation.

LONDON, 29th January.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

The correspondent of the *Standard* at Johannesburg says that from the 1st February there will be one supreme command of the whole military forces, from the Zambesi to the Cape, and that General the Hon. Sir N. Littleton will be the Commander-in-Chief, with headquarters at Pretoria.

LONDON, 29th January.

FRENCH LOAN TO MOROCCO.

The Bank of Paris & Pays Bas has arranged a loan with the Sultan of Morocco for 7,500,000 francs at 6 per cent. interest, guaranteed by the Customs dues. It is believed that the loan is an important diplomatic coup and intended to strengthen French interests and influence.

ILLNESS OF ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER.

Signor Prinetti was seized with apoplexy during an audience with King Victor Emmanuel to-day. Hopes of his recovery are entertained.

LONDON, 30th January.

VENEZUELA.

The blockading Powers have declined to entertain Mr. Bowen's proposal that all claimants against Venezuela shall be on an equality with them. Their refusal has caused a deadlock.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Mr. Chamberlain is at Kimberley.

MILITARY APPOINTMENT.

General Sir H. Hildyard has been appointed Director of Military Education and Training.

LONDON, 30th January.

THE SILVER QUESTION.

President Roosevelt has sent a message to Congress with notes from Mexico and China, dwelling on the injury to international trade resulting from fluctuation in silver. The message recommends legislation which will enable the United States to co-operate with gold-standard countries for the purpose of establishing the stability of silver.

DROWNING FATALITY.

James Borrowdale, an employee of the Godown Company at Kowloon, yesterday, in the harbour, fell off a launch on which he and a number of friends were proceeding on a pleasure trip. The launch was immediately stopped and Mr. Borrowdale picked up, but though alive he succumbed soon afterwards, the cause of death, it is believed, being heart failure. The launch steamed back to Hongkong as quickly as possible and medical aid was summoned, but it was quite unavailing. The deceased was about 61 years of age.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 29th January.

A SEIZURE, AND FOME WILD RUMOURS.

Pursuant to a telegram sent from Hongkong on China New Year's eve, some Chinese officials went with soldiers to Feng Chun, somewhere opposite Shemone, and discovered in a shop some few cases of arms and ammunition; they were marked outside "biscuits." It is said that they were imported by the associates of Kang Yu-wei. The matter was reported to the Viceroy. It is customary to "throw open all the city gates on New Year's eve, but His Excellency was afraid that there would be a revolt, and ordered the Southern gate to be closed and locked, and no one was permitted to pass. In consequence, some evil-disposed persons started a rumour, that between 12 and 1 a.m., when all the officials were assembling together in the Temple of Man Sow Kung to worship the Emperor and celebrate the New Year, the rebels would surround it, kill the officials, and then march on to Shamoen to murder all foreigners. This being the talk in the city on New Year's eve Capt. Xiang, who is in command of a few hundred soldiers, immediately despatched his men to guard the Canal Road and its vicinity, and some of the military officials ordered their soldiers to patrol about the suburbs of the City all night long.

THEATRE ROYAL.

"HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR."

On Saturday the Amateur Dramatic Club gave a second performance of Captain Marshall's play *His Excellency the Governor* before a crowded house, including H.E. Sir Henry Blake and the Government House party and a great number of the most prominent in local official and civilian circles. The unanimous verdict of the audience was that the production of *His Excellency the Governor* was a notable success. The play is one which lends itself admirably to representation here, and the picture of Colonial life on Ammandaland Island was immensely appreciated. Seldom has the A.D.C. made a wiser selection of a piece in which to display its abilities. Inspired no doubt by the increased audience in the house, the whole cast showed on Saturday to the best advantage and the curtain went down on a thorough triumph.

Having had no opportunity so far of criticising the performance, we may now take the characters in detail. The title role was played by Mr. C. H. Grace, whose connection with the A.D.C. has extended over a considerable period of years as time goes in the Far East. Mr. Grace made a most excellent Governor—quite beyond the criticisms of the *Ammandaland Times*, we feel sure—and it would be hard to imagine more natural ease being displayed in the part. His reappearance on our amateur stage is most welcome. To Mr. Balloch fell the representation of *Henry Carlton, M.P.*, and if he did not quite succeed in repeating his triumph in *Liberty Hall*, he was at least able to show his genuine dramatic talent. The part, it must be confessed, is one of considerable difficulty. The other two leading male parts were played by Capt. MacGeorge (*Capt. Rivers, A.D.C.*) and Mr. H. W. Bird (*Barnesstock, Private Secretary*). Capt. MacGeorge had an excellent opportunity, and availed himself of it to the full; he looked born to the part. Mr. Bird's *Barnesstock* was full of humour, and all were glad to see him assuming a more prominent role than in the past—though we must not forget that he had long been one of the most essential persons in an amateur dramatic body, a more than capable scenic artist. We do not know which part would more appropriately be designated as that of the "leading lady," but both Mrs. Grace and Mrs. Slade were excellent in their portrayal of the characters which they represented. *Stella de Gex* is perhaps the more vital to the comedy, and certainly as the adventurous *Stella* Mrs. Grace left very little to be desired. A professional *Stella* would be more adventurous, more outspoken, but in the greater restraint there were many compensations, and the general effect was bright and charming. After Mrs. Slade's *debut* here last year, the audience were prepared for an apt presentation of *Ethel Carlton*, and they were not disappointed. Not having so much scope as in *Liberty Hall*, she naturally could not be so prominent in *His Excellency the Governor*, but that was due to the play, not to the actress, who is again to be congratulated. Of the lesser parts Miss Bird, transformed into the stately Mrs. *Wentworth, Barnesstock*, was excellent; Lieut. Rivers was only amusing in his part, and Messrs. Ward, Hay (in a minor role this time), and Golding completed an admirable all-round cast. We must not, however, forget a splendid appropriation in red, who appeared as a native servant, and an effective background of khaki-clad soldiers. The last act went a trifle too slowly on the opening night, but on Saturday this was not apparent. The A.D.C. did more than sustain its reputation, and, considering that several most capable performers did not take part in the present representation, it is evident that the Club is in a very healthy state. We hope it will not be long before another "show" is decided upon. On both nights the band of H.M.S. *Ocean* rendered a capital selection of music. The final performance takes place to-night, and considerations of weather should not deter those who have not yet been from witnessing *His Excellency the Governor*.

PIGEON SHOW AT THE KOWLOON HOTEL.

Considering that it was entirely an innovation in the Colony, the pigeon show at the Kowloon Hotel on Saturday and Sunday was more than gratifying in the measure of success that attended it, and its promoter, Mr. James Logan, of the Kowloon Docks, is to be congratulated on the fact. Between the two days, and despite the extremely unfavourable weather, there were about a thousand visitors, and amongst them none were more interested in the birds than H.E. the Governor and Lady Blake, who called on Saturday forenoon. In view of the satisfactory result of the experiment—for the show, of course, ran quite on the lines of an experiment—a meeting of those interested is to be called at an early date to consider a proposal to hold another show, this time on a larger and more comprehensive scale, somewhere about the 4th of July next. The prizes on the present occasion were awarded as follows:—

1st prize, \$30.—Pair of blue black-barred homers; Police-Sergeant McSwayed.
2nd prize, \$20.—Pair of black homers; Police-Sergeant McSwayed.
3rd prize, \$15.—Pair of white Indian tumbler; Police-Sergeant McSwayed.
Very highly recommended.—Red homer; Police-Sergeant McSwayed.
Highly recommended.—Blue dragon; Police-Sergeant McSwayed.

Sergeant McSwayed, in one of the most enthusiastic fanatics in the Colony, and his monopolisation of the awards speaks well for the excellence of his birds. The selection of the judges was decided by ballot, and their awards gave entire satisfaction.

FOOTBALL.

The Rugby match on the Happy Valley ground on Saturday ended in a fairly easy victory for the H.K.C.C. over H.M.S. *Abthor*.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. v. UNITED SERVICES.

When these teams met on Boxing Day and the day following, both sides being more strongly represented than they were on Thursday last, the Services had much the better of the game and won very easily by nine wickets. In the return match, however, the "tables were turned" and the Club won handsomely by 80 runs. This result was mainly brought about by the splendid all-round cricket of J. T. Dixon, who not only scored 118 but captured 5 of his opponents' wickets for 60 runs. Dixon, since he has been here, has gradually played himself into form, and at the present time is certainly the best all-round cricketer in the Colony. He seemed to have attained sufficient all-round excellence in the match Public Schools and Universities v. The Rest, when he scored 65 runs and captured 6 wickets for 29 runs, but he eclipsed this performance on Thursday last, and the question would now appear to be—Where will he stop? The match was supposed to begin at 10.30, but it was 11.10 when a start was made. Ward beat Garde in the toss and elected to bat first, he accordingly sent in F. Maitland and Brown to face the deliveries of Fawcett and Dalrymple. With 7 scored, Brown was bowled and Dixon took his place. Maitland was caught at the same total and Ward joined Dixon. The last-mentioned experienced a certain amount of luck and made several dangerous strokes, but his partner played very good guard that is expected of him. However, Ward managed to keep his wicket intact and played an invaluable innings for his side; he was not dismissed until the score had reached 102—an addition of 35 since the fall of the last wicket—his share being a most useful, if lucky, 52. Meanwhile Dixon had continued to play a sound game, and while taking no liberties with the bowling he was particularly severe on anything in the shape of a "loose one." Arthur and E. W. Maitland did not stay long, but Woodgate and Lemarchand both gave timely assistance to Dixon, Lemarchand leaving with the score at 176. Just after the arrival of Cooper, Dixon completed his century, having batted for about an hour and a half. At this time the score had reached 210 for 7 wickets—a very high rate of scoring, considering that play had only been in progress for an hour and 50 minutes. Directly after this, Dixon's long and splendid innings was brought to a close by a good catch in the long field. His 118 took him about an hour and three-quarters to compile and contained three 5's and seven 4's. He gave one or two chances of stumping and a possible chance of a run, but these were all the elements in an altogether admirable display. MacKenzie, who followed, gave little trouble, but Bird and Cooper both hit well and added 55 runs for the last wicket. Bird being thus caught by his namesake for a useful 21. Cooper was not out for a well hit 44. The innings thus terminated for the very creditable score of 268. As may be supposed, none of the bowlers came out with a very good analysis, Nugent and Rimington showing the best figures. The fielding all round was fair and Jackson was especially good at point. Garde, however, for once did not appear to be in form being the victim of the most disastrous batting with Fawcett and Garde, and Dixon and Bird bowled. Careful play was the order of the day and runs came slowly in consequence. With 15 on the board, however, Garde was bowled and Cooke came in. Fawcett left at 22 and Bird succeeded him. He did not stay long, and was followed by Jackson. Cook meanwhile was playing excellent cricket and looked like making a score. When he had made 28, however, he was smartly taken in the slips by Dixon. With Radcliffe in another small stand was made and the score had been increased to 56 before Jackson was bowled for a career of 19. Under these circumstances, and with Radcliffe, helped the score along to 146 before he was well caught at point by E. W. Maitland for a useful 18. This proved to be the turning point in the innings, as before Dalrymple's departure it looked as if the Services would save the game. However, Radcliffe's invaluable innings terminated at the same total—he was brilliantly caught by Cooper in the slips—and with the exception of Fawcett who hit hard for 26, and Barron, who did likewise for 15, none of the others gave much trouble and the innings closed for 188—80 for the Club total. Radcliffe's 54 was an excellent innings, and though he scored somewhat slowly at times he hit uncommonly hard. The Club fielding was decidedly poor, and Ward and Lemarchand in particular seemed to experience great difficulty in properly gathering the ball. Arthur, too, behind the wickets was in anything but his best form. In spite of these deficiencies, however, the match was an enjoyable one and the result was very creditable to the Club team, all of whom worked hard, though Dixon's performance overshadowed those of everyone else. The day was cold and cheerless, but, in spite of that fact, a fair number of spectators, including some ladies, were present. We gave the scores and analyses in our issue of Saturday, but we repeat them for convenience of reference.

H.K.C.C.

F. Maitland, c Fawcett, b Dalrymple	7
A. O. Brown, b Fawcett	1
J. T. Dixon, c Fawcett, b Nugent	118
A. G. Ward (Capt.), c Dalrymple, b Rimington	52
H. Arthur, c Rimington, b Dixon	0
E. W. Maitland, b Rimington	0
J. A. Woodgate, b Dalrymple	0
W. E. Lemarchand, b Dalrymple	13
C. E. S. Cooper, not out	44
A. MacKenzie, c Barron, b Nugent	1
B. E. O. Bird, c Bird, b Nugent	21
Extras	2
Total	268

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Mr. Garde, R.N.I. (Capt.), b J. T. Dixon	6
Capt. Fawcett, c B. T. Dixon	5
Mr. G. A. Cooke, R.N., c J. T. Dixon	5
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H.K.C.C. v. THE GARRISON.

The Club team was far too strong for the military on a 10 in the ball to match, which was played on Saturday last in cold and cheerless weather. The Club executive did not wish to play so strong an eleven against their not too powerful opponents, but it would seem that the misadventures of "young players" were already tiring of the game, as very few of them had put down their names to play, and the Committee had perforce to select whom they could get. Even then two or three men had to be picked up on the ground. The Garrison had pretty nearly their full strength, but just now it would appear that military cricket is at a rather low ebb in spite of the more than average ability of several players. But that as it may, the Club had all the best of the encounter on Saturday and won in the easiest possible manner by no less than 233 runs—with only 7 wickets down! The Garrison won the toss and batted first. So badly did they perform, however, against the bowling of Dixon, Bird, Cooper and Bisset, that they were all disposed of in rather more than an hour for a paltry 70 runs. The only man to score double figures were Radcliffe (10) and Bisset (15), and a much 12 not out. There was nothing in the bowling to account for this poor performance, and it would be difficult to say why they did not do better. Dixon, for 22, and Bisset, for 8, obtained the best analyses for the Club, and the fielding, considering the coldness of the day, was rather better than usual.

The Club had little difficulty in making the necessary runs; indeed they were made for the loss of two wickets. Curiously enough, both Bird and Cooke failed to come off, but Cooper, MacKenzie, Bisset, Raymond and Bird all distinguished themselves. Cooper especially played a very fine innings, and it was somewhat unlucky that he had not time to complete his "century." It would seem that, after all, he is to be considered a batsman rather than a bowler, as he has not been a more successful in this department of the game up to the present. Anyhow, he is an excellent all-round cricketer and a decided acquisition to the ranks of the team. Some numerous playing members of the Club. It was satisfactory, too, to see MacKenzie break his spell of ill-luck, and it is hoped that, now he has begun, he will continue to show some of his old form. Both Bird and Raymond played excellent cricket for their runs, and Bisset towards the end of the day hit with considerable vigour. With the fall of his widest, stamps were drawn, the score then being 365 for 7 wickets, Cooper carrying out his bat for an admirable 90 not out. All the Garrison bowlers proved very expensive, but Fawcett took 3 out of the 7 wickets that fell. The following are the full scores and analyses:

H.K.C.C.

Capt. Radcliffe, R.E., c Garde, b Cooper	10
Lt. Mott, S.F., b Bird	1
Capt. Bird, R.A., b Dixon	15
Capt. Fawcett, R.A., c Raymond, b Bird	15
Lt. Rimington, R.N., c Garde, b Dixon	3
Lt. Fawcett, R.A., c Cooper, b Dixon	1
Lt. H. W. Smith, R.A., not out	42
Capt. Nugent, R.A., c Cooper, b Fawcett	3
Capt. Fawcett, R.A., c Cooper, b Bisset	1
Capt. Bird, R.A., c Garde, b Bisset	2
Pte. Bradford, A.O.D., not out	3
Extras	6
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London, 14th January.

It is reported from Tangier that the Sultan of Morocco has been heavily defeated at the battle of Tangier, and that Menabbi, the W. Minister, was killed. The tribes are fighting against Tangier, which is a British protectorate. The military command at Fez is the British representative.

TURKEY'S NEW GRAND VIZIER.

London, 15th January.

Ferid Pasha, President of the recently appointed Macedonia Reform Commission, has been appointed Grand Vizier.

London, 16th January.

It is understood that the dismissal and disgrace of the Turkish Grand Vizier, Saad Pasha, was due to the rejection of his proposals for improving the administration of the Turkish Provinces in Europe. His retirement is regarded as foreshadowing complications in connection with Macedonia, and the postponement of the scheme for unifying the Ottoman debt.

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SPELLING.

The spelling of a word is still the undisputed authority for its pronunciation with multitudes of honest folk. When they have proved, from the dictionary, that it is expressed in writing by certain characters, argument comes to an end; people who do not pronounce it accordingly must be ignorant, if not vulgar. It would seem to signify that the art of spelling was a revelation vouchsafed to our ancestors, or else that writing is older than speech. They may take choice between these alternatives, but one or other must be the explanation if their view be correct. It is certain that men had been talking for an incalculable space of time before the notion of recording words occurred to any of them; in fact, that discovery is so recent in the case of the Teutonic peoples, that the learned almost fix a date. We need not go into that. The point is that our forefathers had a national system of writing, before the conversion adapted to their speech. If St. Augustine and his missionaries had retained the "Futhore," as this ancient alphabet was styled, and if it had descended to the present time, many of the worst inconsistencies of our spelling would have been avoided; both propositions are absurd, of course, but they may be admitted "for the sake of argument." The English system of runes was much more copious than any other, because the language was so much more copious in sounds; it had thirty-two characters, which still did not suffice; but at least it met the necessities of the case much better than the twenty-six substituted for it. Philologists recognise thirty-nine sounds in English speech. Of vowels alone it has fifteen, as we used to calculate; but Professor Snyce actually reckons nineteen in his *Science of Language*. And all these have to be expressed somehow, by "a, e, i, o, u," and "y." It is not necessary to look further for the complication of spelling, though many other causes operated. All the Teutonic races have the same difficulty, though in less degree. Gregory of Tours says that the rough Merovingian Chilperic summarily ordered four letters to be added to the Latin alphabet, "and wrote to all the cities of his kingdom that boys should be taught to use them; also that ancient books should be secured with pumice-stones and rewritten." What books could these have been—in the Frank language, but Roman characters evidently? An interesting speculation.

There is no law for the pronunciation of purely English words except custom. Until a date almost modern educated persons spell a word just as the whim of the moment suggested, giving, perhaps, two forms, or even more, in a single page. Mr. Sidney Lee reports that the name of John Shakespeare figures 68 times in the Council Book of Stratford-on-Avon, spelt in 16 different ways. This is good, seeing that John was a member of the Council. But Karl Etze, tracing the family in Warwickshire, discovered no fewer than 53 variations of the spelling, which he gives in his careful volume. Perhaps, "Shakspere," "Shagospere," "Chakspere," "Shakspier," "Shoxpere" are the most remarkable, but there is a fine choice of eccentricities. Nevertheless, all of these men pronounced their name alike, assuredly. No one yet has been so bold—one might say impudent—as to assert that he can make out all the five scribbles which William Shakespeare called his signatures; but two of them have been read *tant bien que mal*, with a strong magnifying glass probably. One is "Shakspere," the other "Shakespeare." It was almost the rule for men to spell their names differently at different times. The compiler of the *Lives of the Lindays* found so many versions of that honourable patronymic among the signatures and correspondence of the family, that he took to counting them, and found 88. But he who called a Lindsay "out of name" in these days would not have been excused because the gentleman chose to spell it so. Perhaps the most extraordinary instance of his class was given by a writer in *Notes and Queries* two or three years ago. In tracing the history of Woburn he found 214 variations of the word. Perhaps the happiest were "Wubn," "Wahoo," "Wurn," "Noburn," "Wooberane," "Hawburn." But all these people would have said "Woburn," doubtless, in speaking of the place—if that spelling represents the ancient and customary sound, which is by no means to be taken for granted. When the spelling of a simple English word differs from the pronunciation, almost always—if not quite—the former is wrong. One constantly hears ill educated persons denounce the rustic ignorance which transforms "Beauchamp" into "Beechum," and "Bewley" into "Bewley." If they turned to any old French book they would find that *beau* was spelt *bien*, and in poetry it made a dissyllable. Thus the man of Warwick who talks of the "Beauchamp" Chapel, or the Londoner who refers to the "Beacham" Tower, comes much nearer

to the contemporary pronunciation than they do with their modern French. As for Bewley, one village of that name was so called before the Conquest, though "Beechum" afterwards. Probably the Normans corrupted the English, which they did not understand, into a French combination, somewhat resembling it in sound. Johnson used to declare that the purest English was spoken in Lichfield. He made the assertion in self-defence probably, for fashionable folks in London mocked his pronunciation of "great" for "breakfast," "Chany" for "China," "tay" for "tea," "Room" for "Rome," and so forth. Elderly people in Staffordshire can recollect these forms in common use when they were young. Some of them were correct beyond dispute, as "tay," "Chany," "Room"—that is, they faithfully preserved the sound of those foreign words. Others as "obliged" and "pooneh" showed that the terms, lately imported, were not yet naturalised. Charles James Fox took great credit to himself as a purist in English. He laid down a number of invariable rules which must be observed whatever the consequences. One was that if a foreign word had been regularly adopted into English it must be pronounced in the English fashion. Accordingly he decided that Bordeaux wine ought to be called "Bordox" and from the moment of that decision until the end of his life he so called it. To return to Johnson's pronunciations. "Great," "breakfast," and that class are instances of the mischief caused by our want of vowel signs, to which allusion has been made. "Eu" has to serve for a long, as in "great," for a long, as in "fault," "hent," for a short, as in "death," for "u," as in "death," besides its proper force, as in "gear," "appear." If one transferred any or all of these pronunciations, as the hapless foreigner is bound to do until thoroughly practised, it could not be said that he violated any principle. The law is custom only. This "handicap" the young Briton terribly. It has been asserted that our children waste two or three years in learning to spell, whilst foreign rivals mostly can acquire all they need in a few months. But there is no remedy now. If the "fonetik system" had been introduced when the Futhore was dropped, it would have been a blessing unqualified. Then Shakespeare, Addison, Macaulay, Dickens would have used it. The hideous thing would have been familiar, and hideous no more. In itself it does not offend the eye more than Magyar or Czech, for example, which we survey with pleased curiosity when we chance to meet with them. But a page of a favourite author in "fonetik" is an outrage and an insult. He would grasp all the horror of it should he look through the works of Max Muller. In one of those learned volumes he drops into a panegyric of the system. One reads on placidly, supposing that the *new* will get to business soon. But over-leaf he suddenly adopts the system himself, and goes on with it to the end of the book! And there are a good many pages. What may be in them few readers could say, as suspect—for most of them throw down the volume in disgust.

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ESTABLISHED 1836.

THE Undersigned Agents of above Company

are prepared to accept first-class Foreign

and Chinese RISKS against FIRE at Current

Rates.

TURNER & CO.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1903.

SALAMANDER FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed

AGENTS for the above Company, are

prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE

at Current Rates.

HCTZ, JACOB & CO.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCAN-
TILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS at 31st DECEMBER, 1901.

£15,722,093.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£8,000,000 0 0

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....2,750,000 0 0

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....687,500 0 0

II. FIRE FUNDS.....2,685,548 5 2

The Undersigned, having been appointed

AGENTS for the above Company, are

prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE

at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1902.

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE IN-
SURANCE CO.

OF AIX-LE-CHATELL.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed

